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World News

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PARIS AP — Students and helmeted police battled through Paris' Latin Quarter most of the day and late into the evening Monday, leaving a broad path of destruction in their wake.

The student disturbances were the most violent in the French capital in recent memory. Classes at the University of Paris have been suspended since demonstrations Friday and the suburban University of Nanterre was closed the day before.

Officials are hopeful about chances of saving 15 of 25 men trapped in a flooded West Virginia coal mine, but chances of rescuing the remaining 10 miners appear dim.

For the first time in its history, a Kentucky Derby horse was disqualified as Churchill Downs officials ruled out the winner, Dancer's Image, after tests showed the horse was drugged.

The Kremlin ended permissive handling of Czechoslovakia's reform. In Prague there was open talk of possible Soviet military intervention.

STANFORD AP —Occupation of a Stanford building by dissident students went into its second day today after a long night of commotion enlivened by a fire that destroyed another campus building.

The university fire department labeled the fire as arson, but Willard Wyman, assistant dean of students, said he did not believe the demonstration and fire were related. It destroyed the one storey wooden Navy ROTC building.

Strife-torn Columbia University opened its doors Monday for the first time in 11 days, but the situation there was far from normal and there were more signs of student unrest elsewhere in the nation.

Some 600 students took peaceful command of the administration building at Cheyney State College in Cheyney, Pa., and said they would stay until the state legislature took action on their demands for campus improvements.

In Montpelier, Vt., about 40 demonstrators from Goddard College sat-in at the State House to protest the state's handling of the war on poverty. Chairs were set up for the demonstrators but they sat on the floor instead.



ALAN DUNDES, associate professor of anthropology at UC Berkeley, spoke on "Folklore as a Mirror of Our Culture" yesterday in the Little Theater.

Dundes Comments

American Folklore: A Mirror Of Materialism

By Rosemary Ruhstaller

Have you ever heard a Freudian interpretation of Jack and the Beanstalk? Or a psychological explanation of the dynamics behind American riddles?

These topics and many more were covered with wit and insight in Alan Dundes' discussion of "Folklore as a Mirror of our Culture" yesterday at 1 p.m.

Dundes, an associate professor of anthropology and folklore at the University of California at Berkeley, entertained a group of some 80 students and faculty with his anecdotes dramatizing how culture is reflected in the games, legends, jokes, riddles and customs of a society.

Contrary to popular opinion, said Dundes, folklore is not a synonym for eror but rather is a set of genres or forms, some of them universal, which are found among different people.

Folklore, the speaker explained, can be described as a people's description of themselves.

Turning to examples, many of which prompted the audience to prolonged laughter, Dundes pointed out that in most cultures there is some ritual connected with the loss of the first tooth.

In the United States, the speaker remarked, the tradition has particularized itself into the giving of money for the tooth. Dundes cited this as a reflection of the materialism of modern

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Language Instructor

Students Protest Tenure Decision

By Vincent Kohler

The denial of tenure to Miss Estella Serrano, a Mexican-American Spanish teacher in the department of foreign languages, has resulted in a movement to have the decision reversed. The movement, sponsored by the decision reversed. The movement, sponsored by the campus Mexican-American Youth Association (MAYA), will kick off its efforts with a rally at 11:30 a.m. at the south entrance of the Administration building.

It is MAYA's contention that Miss Serrano, who has been denied tenure on the grounds that she does not possess a doctorate, is not only a competant instructor of the Spanish language but is also a necessary representative of a minority group.

"We need more minority-group instructors," said William Aguirre, president of MAYA. "Especially since the college is going out and recruiting thirty minority-group students for the fall.

"I think this is good. I think the school has taken a great step. . .but minority students need an instructor. . .they can identify with. Who can they talk to?"

Aguirre added that Miss Serrano herself did not believe the minority-group question was an issue in the denial of tenure. "MAYA took the liberty of supporting Miss Serrano," said Aguirre, "not only because she's a qualified teacher, but also because she's a Mexican-American and we feel we need more minority representation on campus."

Aguirre said that out of five-hundred SSC faculty members, Miss Serrano is the only Mexican-American.

"We attempted to go through channels," said Aguirre. "We talked to the. . .department head, told him our problem. . . .His only criteria was that she didn't have a PhD."

The MAYA rally will be supported by the Black Students' Union, the Young Peoples' Socialist League, the Social Welfare and Corrections Club, and the Social Work Graduate Students' Association.

Laurence Bekowitzof SWCC said, "Every student I've talked to that's had her. . .has nothing but the highest regard for Miss Serrano's teaching ability. I've yet to talke to a student who can make a detrimental statement... If no other factor is taken into consideration, (this) alone demands that she be kept on and given tenure."

Ray Ortiz, a member of the executive board of the Social Work Graduate Students' Association, explained that, "I think basically our position is that you have a new movement in society

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Election Pleases Eakes, Vows Support of Starks

By Steve Haskins

"I was very happy with the results," said ASSSC president Jan Eakes of the recent student body elections.

"There were 2000 votes against 300 as far as going back to the rah-rah type of student government," he added.

In the election, Lenard Starks and his running mate Cheryl Cecchettini outpolled two other tickets for the presidential and vice-presidential offices, including incumbent student body president Eakes, who was running for an unprecedented second term with Richard Reed. Student senate chairman John Sutter and former senate member Eddie Lee made up the third ticket. Eakes who lost by some 200 votes, had announced his candidacy only two days before the polling on last Wednesday and Thursday.

Eakes stated that for the first time, students at Sacramento State have "gotten excited over an election and felt that student government should have an effect on the campus. These students may not be directly involved with the student government, but they're going to have their eyes open next year."

When asked about the main problem the newly elected Starks would have to face, Eakes replied quickly that it would be Dr. Robert Johns, college president of Sacramento State. According to Eakes, "Lenard has one advantage, and that is that he is going into office fresh...but he's going to have to learn how to get by Dr Johns' snow jobs. Johns is very astute, and Lenard is going to have to learn when Johns is talking straight and when he isn't."

Along this same line Eakes stated that Starks was going to have problems with the administration of the college union, and said that it would have to be determined whether the college administration "was going to run it or whether the students were."

Eakes said another administrative trouble spot would be the Hornet Foundation. Eakes explained while Starks would be a member, he would have to be "extremely careful of the delineation of responsibilities between the students and Dr. Johns."

Eakes also suggested that Starks would have problems finding competent students to serve on the various faculty boards and express the student viewpoints.

Hopefully, according to the outgoing student body president, Starks will let his vice-president take care of the various student activities such as dances, and

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ART HOPPE

Jaywalking And Other Capital Crimes

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley's recent order that police "shoot to kill or maim" arsonists and looters has caused a nationwide furor.

Probably no group is more gravely split on the issue than the National Society for the Prevention of Jaywalking.

Meeting behind closed doors—through which shouts of "Fascist pig!" and "bleeding-heart dupe!" could be heard —the Society attempted to hammer out a compromise policy.

After six hours of discussion, the executive secretary, Mr. Homer T. Pettibone, emerged with a torn lapel and a nasty gash over his left eye to explain the bitter schism.

"Half the members feel strongly that police, on catching jaywalkers in the act, should shoot to kill," he said shaking his head, "and the other half feel equally strongly that they should shoot to maim."

A reporter noted that Mayor Daley had been talking only about arsonists and looters.

Mr. Pettibone looked surprised. "Arsonists, looters, jaywalkers," he said with a shrug, "a criminal is a criminal and a crime is a crime.

What Mayor Daley was talking about was respect for law and order without which our society cannot survive. The law requires pedestrians cross at official intersections and order demands it.

"And surely no criminal more flagrantly flaunts his disrespect for law and order than the jaywalker. The arsonists, the looters—they're furtive, sneaky. But the hardened jaywalker commits his crime in the broad light of day, openly parading his contempt for law and order before all the world—even little children.

"And you can't argue with Mayor Daley on one point: there's nothing that instills a little respect for law and order in a man like a bullet through the head."

Mr. Pettibone was asked about the "shoot-to-maim" faction.

"They prefer to think of themselves more realistically as advocates of a 'shoot-to-cripple' rehabilitation program," he said. "They point out that a well-placed bullet at the base of the spine will permanently curb the most incorrigible jaywalker.

"We are now attempting to compromise on a sliding scale of penalties ranging from through the kneecap for children under seven who unpremeditatedly chase balls into the street."

A reporter asked why jaywalkers couldn't simply be arrested.

"Good heavens!" said Mr. Pettibone. "With the way the Supreme Court has handcuffed our police and tipped the scales of justice in favor of the criminal? Why, the most nefarious jaywalker, given a clever attorney, can get himself turned loose once again on society in 30 days.

"No, Mayor Daley's right. Unless we empower the local cop on the beat to act as arresting officer, prosecutor, judge, jury and executioner on the spot," said Mr. Pettibone firmly, "we'll never instill a respect for the law."

Letters

Dear Editor:

I am sure that I express the opinion of the student body in welcoming home Senator Bill Schmidt, recently returned from his inspection tour of the Daisy Hill Puppy Farm.

I regret that Bill did not return in time to prevent what he called, an abomination, in the form of student elections for president. I guess this election lacked the flair of grandeur that Bill would have provided. There was no violent demonstration, no name smearing, no throat cutting, and no thought of discrimination, just a dull old democratic turn out of interested individuals casting their votes as they felt convicted to do. What an abomination!

I can see how you were disappointed Bill. The turnout of 2351 net votes is contradictory to your preaching on student apathy, and I know that we let you down.

I imagine that during your meditation time at (D. H. P. F.) you have managed to reclassify the Animal Species on Earth. I noticed in the STUDENT that you cast your vote for "the only human candidate in the current ASSSC elections, Jan Eakes." Unfortunately WE elected Leonard Starks, therefore, we are the first state college to have a non human for student body president. And a proud first it is.

Thank you Bill, for returning and enlightening us on what the minority thinks and how he draws his conclusions.

We will be anxiously watching the STUDENT for your unbiased, documented, recollection of your days at (D. H. P. F.).

Tom Johnson
Business Admin.

Dear Editor:

I am in total agreement with Senator McCarthy's views on the Vietnamese mess even though I might sound unpatriotic. I believe as the Senator that we are in error by committing ourselves so deeply in the Vietnamese Civil War.

I am also supporting Senator Mc Carthy because of his views concerning the migratory farm worker's problem and specifically his bills pertaining to the migratory farm workers dating back to 1959.

When I sent him a wire asking him to define his position on the single men's need for housing and the raising of his standard of living to the level of most other Americans, his personal reply was very satisfactory. For one thing, I was not referred to another department, from this I feel that his integrity and concern is sincere.

This is why I am going to vote for Senator McCarthy and hope that all my friends and all others will vote for him too. We need this man for our next president. We need him now!

Yours truly,
Abel Chacon

MALICE IN WONDERLAND

Those Dirty Sons Of Birches'

By Pat Jones

It has been called to our attention that the left-wing has been getting a lot of free space in my column. To rectify this, I called on the leader of a local conservative group, the Sons of Birch, Mr. Whitney Flintlock.

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"Mr. Flintlock, how do you view the current urban crisis?"

"Through a gunsight. Ha, ha, excuse me. That's an 'in' joke."

"Mr. Flintlock, you have been called the biggest Son of A Birch on campus — how did you become one?"

"Through the NRA."

"The National Rifle Association?"

"No, the Native Recruiters Association. We go into slum areas and flash our money. It makes the little beggars turn green with envy. Just a figure of speech—they can't turn green. Or white, either. Ha, ha."

"Sir, how do you answer charges of racism within your organization?"

"That's ridiculous. Any sixth generation American Harvard graduate whose father is a Yale Alumnus can join our organization. Unless he's blackballed."

"But that excludes all minority groups."

"It does?"

"Mr. Flintlock, do you have any reply to charges that your organization is a refuge for conformists?"

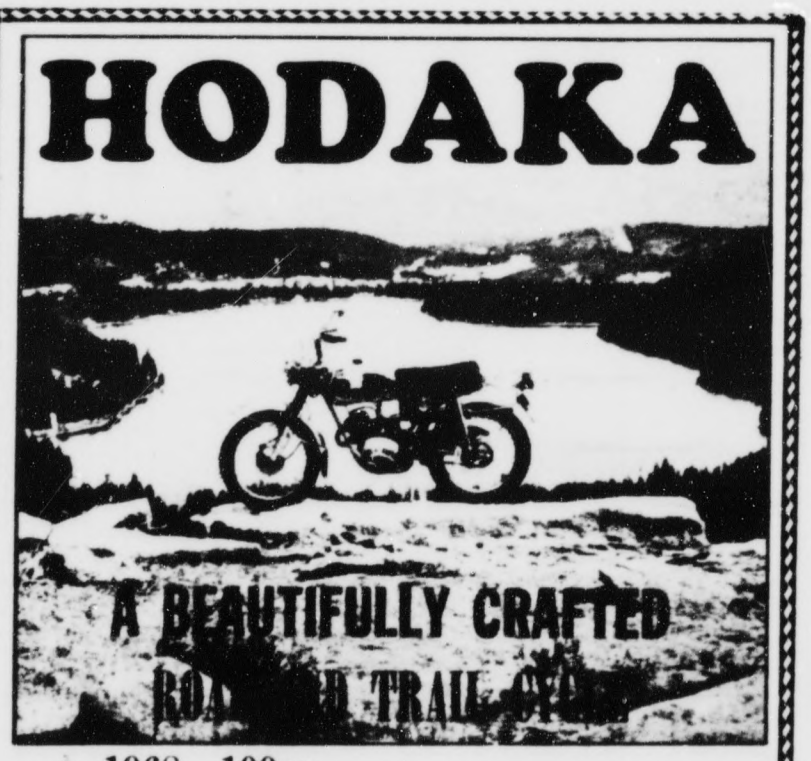
"Another rediculous unfounded charge. We have non-conformists — you take Patrick Henry Luce; he doesn't use dum-dum bullets like the rest of us. And J. Paul Hunt dated a Jewish girl. Once. Lot of the boys' wanted to throw him out, but I said no. We all make mistakes. Once."

"Then non-conformists are allowed?"

"Within reason. No hippies. I won't stand for a Dirty Son of a Birch."

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Language Institute

Sacramento State College will offer a nine week language institute in Burgos, Spain, from June 17 to August 16.

From hundreds of applications 45 teachers of Spanish from all over the United States have been selected to participate in this program.

Participants will be lodged in a staff-approved hotel for the beginning of the program. Later each participant will live, for a minimum of three weeks, in a private home.

Modern Man

The first of a two part series on modern-man will be presented by Inter - Varsity Christian Fellowship on Tuesday, May 14, at 1 p.m. in DH-105.

A speaker from the Social Welfare Department will speak on the topic "Urbanization and People."

The lecture is open to all.

Bard Tryouts

George Anatasiow, General Director of the annual Shakespeare-in-the-Park Community Company, has set May 8 for tryouts.

Anastasiow will hear prospective actors from 3 to 5 p.m. and from 7 to 10 p.m. that day in Sacramento City College's auditorium. Actors, technicians and stage hands are needed.

Film

"The Connection" a controversial film which ran in New York for more than a year will be presented by the English Club Thursday in Physics III. There are two showings; one at 7:30, the other at 9:30.

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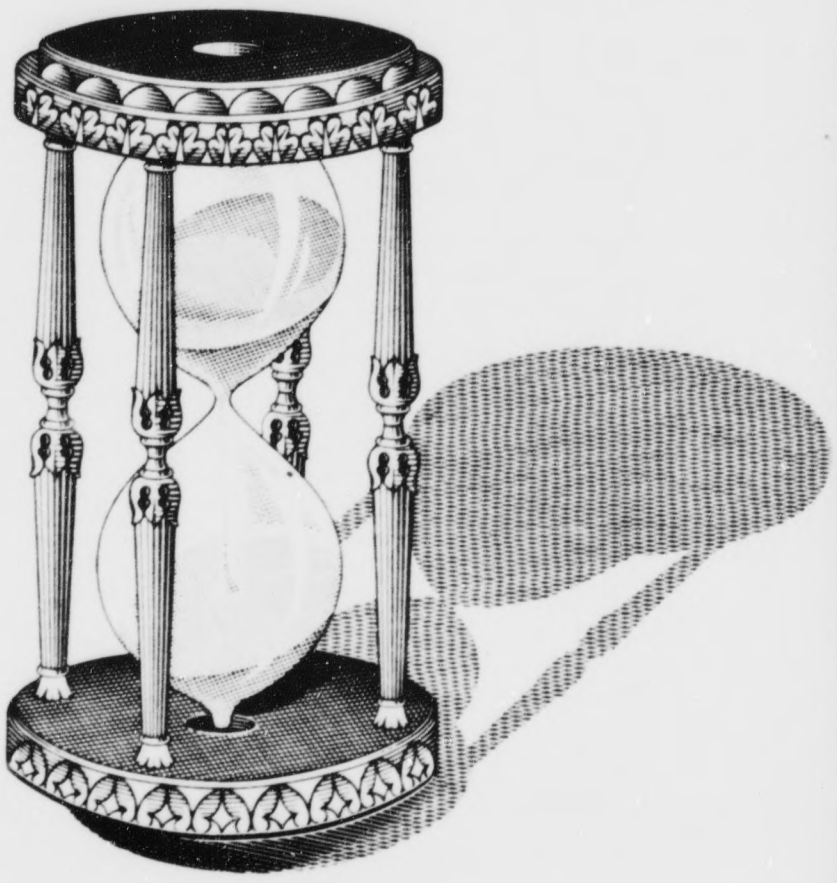
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Serrano Tenure...

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where. . .(minority) students are striving for (minority recognition). . . . Along with this, you have a lot of . . .people calling for more jobs. . .more education for minorities, for minorities to get up in the world, so to speak, in relation to poverty.

"So what happens to the minority employees? The education system doesn't allow minorities to stay in their positions. Negroes and Mexican-Americans are coming to college and should have some instructors to identify with.

"The college is saying she can't stay because she doesn't have a PhD. This is a way of perpetuating racism, not allowing the minority person to get ahead in his profession."

The demonstrators have made an appointment to see Doctor Robert Johns, SSC President, at 11:45, when they will present him with petitions bearing the signatures of "over five hundred students" supporting Miss Serrano.

At three o'clock, they will meet with Professor Ralph Lowet, head of the foreign language department, and will also present the petitions to him.

John McDowell, head of the Young Peoples' Socialist League (YPSL), also came out in support of the MAYA effort. Said McDowell, "YPSL always feels that teaching ability should be placed above the abstract category of 'professionalization'."

Dundes...

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America.

Not only does folklore vary from society to society, according to Dundes, but interpretations of folklore vary within a given society. The expression "to have an ax to grind," for instance, can mean either to have a complaint or a vested interest.

Folklore often provides great insight into a society's world view, Dundes asserted. To support this statement, the speaker told the audience the latest "knock-knock" joke: the World War III knock-knock.

"Knock-knock," said Dundes.

"Who's there," chimed in the audience.

Silence from Dundes. Further silence. Then a burst of comprehending laughter from the audience.

Folklore, Dundes explained, can be interpreted both literally or symbolically, but there are pitfalls in taking either theory to extremes.

To dramatize this, the speaker noted one scholar's detailed literal interpretation of Jack and the Beanstalk wich concluded that Jack was in fact a gibbon who had climbed the tall vegetation of Malaysia.

The only problem, Dundes pointed out, is that the Jack myth is exclusive to England and the United States.

Dundes, by going through a Freudian interpretation of the tale complete with Oedipus complex and sexual undertones, proved that a strictly symbolic reading of folklore can be just as absurd.

Election...

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not get too deeply involved in the interstructure of the Associated Students. This would follow a policy that Eakes instituted this year in which he delegated more administrative authority to his vice-president (Starks) while he concentrated on policy making.

"If the student body president gets too deeply involved with one student activity, then he is neglecting the others. He should be tacitly involved in everything. . .but not too deeply in any one area."

Eakes said that he was excited by the election and his campaign "because of the people who got involved. These are the type of people who have never before been involved in student government. We got the people genuinely turned on. Over 1000 people voted who had never done so. . . we had a dedication and enthusiasm never seen before.

"I intend to give Lenard all the support I can. I'm right behind Lenard, but as soon as he slows down, we're going right over him."

Spring Expo Title of SSC Week

The day designed to acquaint the public with our campus — SSC Day — is scheduled for this Saturday, May 11, from 10 a.m. until 1 a.m. Sunday.

Known as Spring Expo '68, this is the first year that only one day has been set aside. Previously, the event was known as SSC Week and lasted eight days.

Chairman Sue Carner has announced this year's theme as "What's Happening Today?" Exhibits and demonstrations planned will introduce the public to events and happenings on campus.

High school students, junior college transfers, SSC students, faculty, alumni, school teachers, and the general public are invited to tour the campus and attend events.

YR Speaker

The Young Republicans are to be the sponsors of a speech on "Student Unrest on College Campuses" by State Senator Clark L. Bradley (R- Santa Clara and Alameda Counties). Senator Bradley, chairman of the Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions, and who sits on the committees for Education, Judiciary, Local Government and the Revenue and Taxation, will speak today at 12:30 in the Ribera Room. The public is invited.

Student Disinterest Toward Rakus

Chester John Rakus, Republican candidate for the Fifth State Senatorial District, made little impact on Sacramento State College students when he appeared here yesterday.

He discussed a picture he had seen in a Sacramento paper showing Negroes and Caucasians working to rebuild a bombed-out community project together. "If they'd put about a hundred pictures like that in the paper every year," he said, "we wouldn't have such a problem with civil rights."

The session was a short one. Mr. Rakus departed as quietly as he had come, as easily as he had spoken. His appearance was sponsored by the ASSSC Cultural Programs Committee.

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